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Appointment of a member of the Joint Inspection Unit

Note by the Secretary-General

1. By its decision 49/321 of 23 December 1994, the General Assembly appointed four members of the Joint Inspection Unit for a five-year term of office beginning on 1 January 1996 and expiring on 31 December 2000. The Secretary-General has been informed that one such member, Mr. Ali Badara Tall (Burkina Faso), submitted his resignation on 17 October 1995 before commencing his term of office, which would have started on 1 January 1996 and expired on 31 December 2000. The General Assembly will accordingly be required, at the fiftieth session, to appoint a person to serve as member of the Joint Inspection Unit for a five-year term of office beginning on 1 January 1996 and expiring on 31 December 2000.

2. Articles 2 and 3 of the statute of the Unit provide as follows:

"Article 2

"1. The Unit shall consist of not more than eleven Inspectors, chosen from among members of national supervision or inspection bodies, or from among persons of a similar competence on the basis of their special experience in national or international administrative and financial matters, including management questions. The Inspectors shall serve in their personal capacity.

"2. No two Inspectors shall be nationals of the same State.

"Article 3

"1. Starting from the thirty-second session of the General Assembly, in 1977, the President of the General Assembly shall consult with Member States to draw up, with due regard to the principle of equitable geographical distribution and of reasonable rotation, a list of countries which would be requested to propose candidates who meet the qualifications mentioned in article 2, paragraph 1, above.

"2. The President of the General Assembly, through appropriate consultations, including consultations with the President of the Economic and Social Council and with the Chairman of the Administrative Committee on Coordination, shall review the qualifications of the proposed candidates. After further consultations, if necessary, with the States concerned, the President of the General Assembly shall submit the list of candidates to the Assembly for appointment."

3. As provided in article 3, paragraph 3, of the statute, the procedure for the replacement of an Inspector whose term of office has expired or who has resigned or otherwise ceased to be a member of the Unit shall be governed by the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2 of the same article, the text of which is reproduced above.